

NEW MALADY

PROVES FATAL
One of 15 Chicago Victims
Succumbs to "Sleeping"

Chicago, March 16.—The first fatality among fifteen cases of illness resembling sleeping sickness was reported here today.

Fifteen cases of the mysterious disease have been reported here. One arousing especial interest was that of Miss Lydia Gray, Evanston. In a comatose state for the last eighteen days. A consultation will be held over her today.

J. D. Robertson, health commissioner, said 50 per cent of the physicians who had seen the ailment believed it a form of infantile paralysis.

Proof that this is not sleeping sickness is being made.

Richmond, Va., March 16.—State Health Commissioner F. G. Williams announced there was no cause for alarm for the appearance here of "encephalitis lethargica." The commissioner characterized the malady as being "an old-new disease."

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